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A Spark turned to a Dream

## Present Day

When I looked around it was morning I saw many people walking outside of my alley. I got up off the ground and stood up. So many people were up this early and not a single person saw me. I have been sitting here for years waiting to be adopted and today was my 14th birthday and I hoped today would be the day for hope. So I stood there for an hour or 2 but nobody saw me still. It was getting late and it was 4.00 and the sun was going down. I still stood but realized today was like any other day. At 4.15 1 walked to the back side of the alley and got a piece of cardboard and put it above me. I got a cylinder block and set it down so I could use it as a pillow. My eyes slowly began to shut and when they were closed all the way I sniffled some tears and my nose sniffled.

But then a noise caught my attention. It sounded like a car hit something so I ran out of my alley to see what happened. A car had hit a curb and was stuck on the curb, The driver got out of the car and walked to where his car got hit. He started pushing it off the curb but it was too heavy for him. Then that's when I put up enough courage to walk over and help him. Hello I said while walking out of the alley. The man saw me and then he said can you help me. Yes I can r I shouted back. I ran over there to help him out. Once I got there he said one two three we pushed we put all our might into it and then the tires started to drift off the sidewalk. Until it got to the point where it came off the sidewalk.

He told me thanks and was about to get back in his car and drive home but something stopped him. Hey kid, where is your family he said. I dont have one I said. He got confused and then said where do you live. I pointed to my alley and spoke there. No no no no that can't be right you ' re a good kid you deserve a home. Yeah I know but nobody really cared about me when I was in the alley nobody paid attention. They just threw their trash at me and called me garbage. Do you have anything in that alley right now that was from when you had a family if so go get it he said. Okay I said. I walked back to the alley, grabbed my childhood stuff and walked back to his car.

When I came back something else caught his attention . What happened to your eye he said? Somebody punched me in college 8 years ago I said. The guy took When I came back something else caught his attention . What happened to your eye he said? Somebody punched me in college 8 years ago I said. The guy took breaths and then he said get in the car. What why I said. I 'm taking you homer he said. When I heard that my heart filled with joy and ran up to him and my arms swallowed his body. When I did that he swallowed my body with his arms as

well. We stood there for a minute and then we stopped and got in the car and he drove me home .

Hey I didn't catch your name he said. Ryder Davis I spoke. Cool my name is Keith Danielson but you can call me Mr Danielson he said. So how old are you, Mr Danielson. I just turned 14 today. Good for you. You know all my 3 daughters are turning 14 today as well. Congratulations for them, I said. Also tonight is the big dance Mr Danielson said. The one night of the year I will allow my daughters to dance with boys, said Mr Danielson. Ha ha I chuckled quietly. So do you want to come to the dance said Mr Danielson. Yeah sure sounds fun I said. After I said that the car went around a curb and drove for a minute and we arrived at my new home. I opened the car door and walked out of the car onto the front porch. Mr Danielson put the key in the door, unlocked it and opened it.

Inside was the most glorious thing I have ever seen a crystal clear floor so shiny I could see my reflection, Walls that were painted with unique designs and colors. A tv that was taller than my height. And a couch 2 times my wingspan. And then I looked to the left and there was a stairway that went to a magical place. I walked up those steps in my mind everytime I walked up a step. A color flashed in my head blue, purple, red, orange, yellow and black. When I got up the staircase there were at Least a dozen rooms going through a massive hallway. I walked down the hallway, my heart pounding in fear. Then in a blink of an eye a person came right behind me. I turned around nervously and was full of sweat but it was just Mr Danielson. Here you don't know where to go give me a sec said Mr Danielson. Mr Danielson knocked on one of the doors. After he knocked there was a new voice. What dad said a girl. I have a surprise for you guys, Mr Danielson said. Ooh yeah a surprise, said Another girl's voice. Hey shut up said another voice. Go ahead and bring the surprise, said the same voice.

Mr Danielson twisted the doorknob and opened the door in a slow uncasual way. And inside were 3 girls in 3 unique and different types of dresses. So what s the surprise? said one of them.

After she said that Mr Danielson grabbed me and told me to follow him. Mr Danielson walked in the room and then I slowly walked behind him. When they saw me they gasped in shock. Then I spoke hi in a soft quiet way. Meet your

new sisters, Mr Danielson said. Awesome said one of them. And then one of them ran up to me and introduced everyone. Hi I'm Allyiah and that's May and Mia said Alayiah. Nice to meet you three my name is Ryder Davis. Woah what happened to your eye said May. Oh I fell on my face once T said. Dad, why did you bring this person to live with us? We don't even know him, said Mia.

Becausee said Mr Danielson. Because what snapped Mia. Because He was the son of one of his friends that died that you guys have never met I said Mr Danielson. Yeah exactly I replied. Okay guys get ready to go to the dance you got your outfits I got to get Ryder here all dressed up as well said Mr Danielson. Okay will be down in a couple replied Mia. I walked out of the room and Mr Danielson trailed not too far behind me .

He closed the door and then I whispered why did you not tell them the truth I said. Because then they completely freak out over it and then they demand to kick you outr said Mr Danielson. That makes more sense now I said. Okay hey follow me said Mr Danielson. Mr Danielson opened the door and inside was a room filled to the grim with different clothes some colorful some one color. But none of those stood out to me but then in a flash one caught my eye it was a black tux. I grabbed the tux and put it on and it fitted perfectly. Oh my old tux you know I used to wear that to my first prom and now I get to watch you enjoy it said Mr Danielson. Hey girls time to leave shouted Mr Danielson. Okay Dad shouted May. Are you ready said Mr Danielson.

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When we arrived at the school many people were walking up the stairs and through the doors to find a beautifully decorated school filled with different decorations. When I walked inside I saw people dancing on a color brighter floor an entire food court filled with enough food to feed a small country. Different colors of balloons falling from the sky and loud music flowing through the school. When I walked in Mr Danielson started talking to the girls now remember stay safe have fun and you know your limits said Mr Danielson. Okay replied the girls. Then we all split up and went to do our own thing. I walked over to the food court to get some chocolate doughnuts .

When I got there a person followed behind me and then he started talking to me. Hey I, m Liam he said. I, m Ryder I replied back. Have I seen you around in these parts Liam said. Um no because I just got adopted today by Mr Danielson I replied. Mr Danielson the principal of this school heh I love that guy said Lism. Yeah me too I said back. We started talking then Mia walked over to us.

Liam, what are you doing with Ryder said Mia. Oh um we were just talking since he is new, Liam said. Well stop talking with that freak we don't even know where he came from said Mia. You know this freak has feelings to, I snapped back. Come on Liam said Mia. No, I want to stay here and talk with Ryder for a minute said Liam. No we have been planning this for months and am not letting my new brother stand in the way of this said Mia. Liam had enough and he saw a nearby gallon of punch. Liam grabbed it and poured it a IL over Mia. Mia's face was in shock as she started getting drenched. When the gallon was empty she put her hands on her dress and ran out of the room crying. I watched her go by as I saw her go for the door. My face was down and I realized what have I done.

Outside Mia was walking around the building while crying out a waterfall. She kept on walking around her were trees with dented branches and plants. She kept on walking and she found a wooden log and then she sat down.

I walked outside the doors and followed closely behind Mia. I kept walking until I found the spot where she was sitting. Mia I said. She just sat down . Come on Mia let's go back inside I said. She did nothing. This is all my fault T, m sorry I said. Please go away Mia softly replied. I am not leaving here without you I said. You don't know what it's like to be embarrassed or to leave with 3 sisters and to be under stress said Mia. My face dropped and then

I spoke I know how you feel I said. Then she jumped up Ryder you do not know how I feel you have everything you don't know what it's like to not have that much cause you have everything Mia yelled.

I took some deep breaths and then I spoke. Mia I will never know how you feel I said. Then I sat down on the ground next to her but at least you have more than me I said. Her face dropped and then I spoke again. My parents died when I was young. I have been on the streets my whole life. All people did was throw things and call me garbage I said. And also my eye is black cause 8 years ago I was walking down my elementary school hall then some jerk came and punched me in the face. I fell down. While that happened a crowd surrounded us and everybody started laughing at me I said. Mia's face looked at me and then she came next to me and gave me a hug and a kiss. Mia said I  $^{\rm v}$  m really sorry but I am proud to have you as a brother Mia said. Now what do you say we go back inside and finish what we started? Sounds fantastic like you said Mia. Then we walked back inside. And we just danced for the rest of the night and had a great time and shared some laughs .

And I realized what life could be better then mine .